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Turner defends stand on Iran

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The Nutor Stansfield Turner says he does not know what the intelligence agency could have done even if it had foreseen the fall of the shah of Iran.

The CIA has been "pilloried" more than it deserves about its failure to predict events in that oil-rich nation, Turner said at the 48th annual meeting of the World Affairs Council in Pittsburgh.

On a related matter, Turner said he has conferred with the U.S. Department of Commerce about the possibility of briefing members of the American business community on the economic and political climate of countries where there may be business interests.

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